

# Mountaineer Commercial Scale CO<sub>2</sub> Capture and Storage Project

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### **AEP Overview**

- 5.2 million customers in 11 states
- Industry leading size and scale of assets:
  - ■#2 Domestic generation with 38,000 MW
  - ■#1 Transmission with 39,000 miles
  - ■#1 Distribution with 216,000 miles
- Coal & transportation assets
  - ■Over 8,400 railcars involved in operations
  - ■Own/lease and operate over 2,650 barges & 52 towboats
  - ■Coal handling terminal with 20 million tons of capacity
  - Consume 76 million tons of coal per year
- 18,900 employees



AEP Generation Capacity Portfolio			
Coal/ Lignite	Gas/ Oil	Nuclear	Other - (hydro, wind, etc.)
69%	20%	6%	5%



# MT CCS II Project Overview

- Purpose: Advance the development of the Chilled Ammonia CO<sub>2</sub>
  Capture technology and demonstrate CO<sub>2</sub> storage and monitoring technology at commercial scale
- Location: Mountaineer Power Plant and other AEP owned properties near New Haven, WV
- Preliminary cost estimate: \$668 million
  - 50/50 DOE cost share up to \$334M
- Project Objectives
  - 90% CO<sub>2</sub> removal from the stack gas
  - Minimize the increase in cost of electricity to < 35%</p>
  - Store 1.5 million metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>/year
  - Demonstrate commercial scale technology



### Schedule and Phase I Critical Activities

#### Schedule

- Phase 1 Project Definition: present 6/30/11
- Phase 2 Design and Permitting: 7/1/11 12/31/12
- Phase 3 Construction & Startup: 1/1/13 8/31/15
- Phase 4 Operations: 9/1/15 and beyond

#### Phase 1 Critical Activities

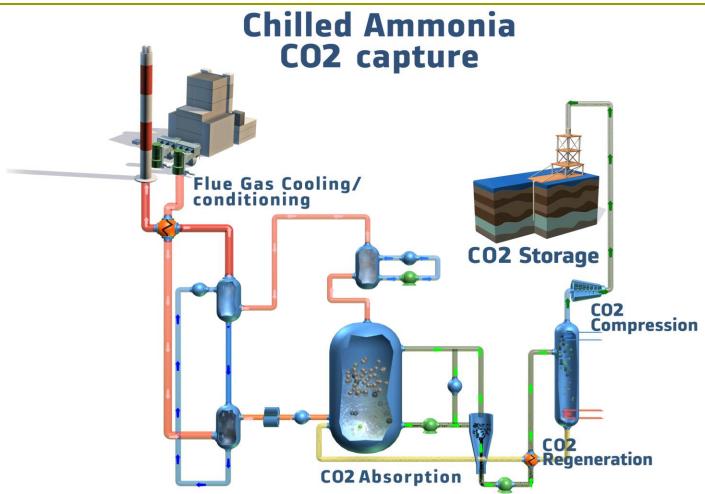
- National Environmental Policy Act process
- Geologic study of proposed injection sites
- Complete initial engineering & design
- Detailed cost estimate

#### Project Participants

- AEP
- DOE
- Alstom
- Battelle
- WorleyParsons
- Potomac Hudson
- Geologic Experts Advisory Team



## Layout of Alstom's Chilled Ammonia Process



- CO2
- Ammonium Carbonate
- Ammonium Bicarbonate



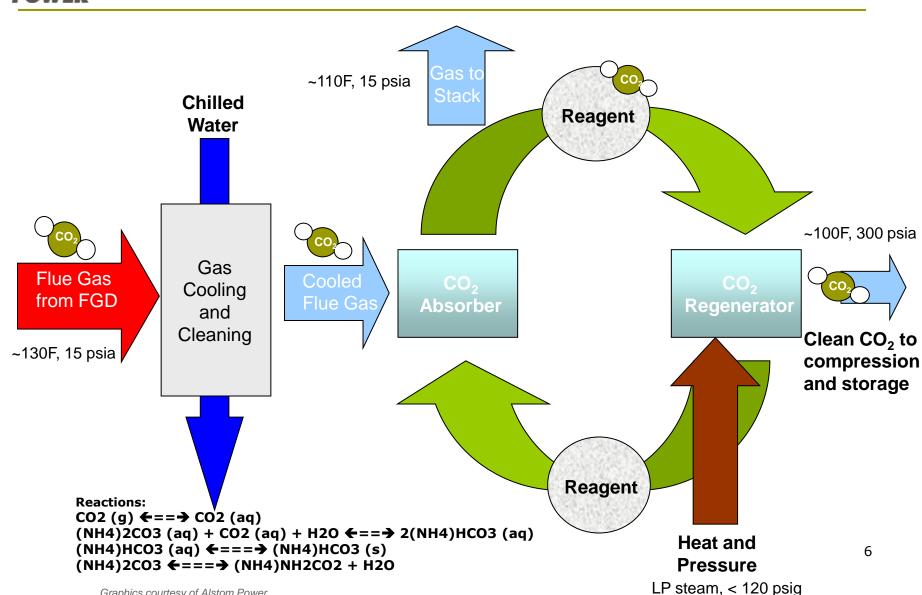








## Alstom's Chilled Ammonia Process (CAP)





# CAP Advantages and Challenges

#### CAP Advantages

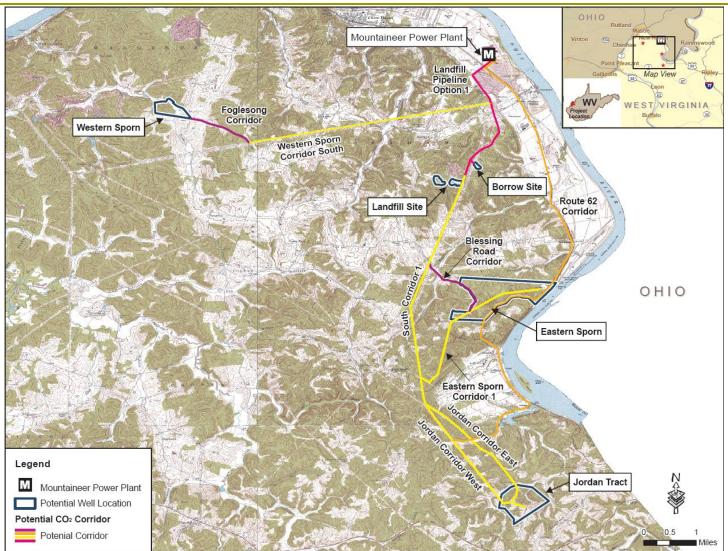
- Lower energy demand than traditional CO<sub>2</sub> capture technologies (including compression)
- Reagent supply availability
- More tolerable of trace flue gas contaminants

#### CAP Challenges

- Minimize energy demand
- Minimize foot print
- Simplify operations complexity



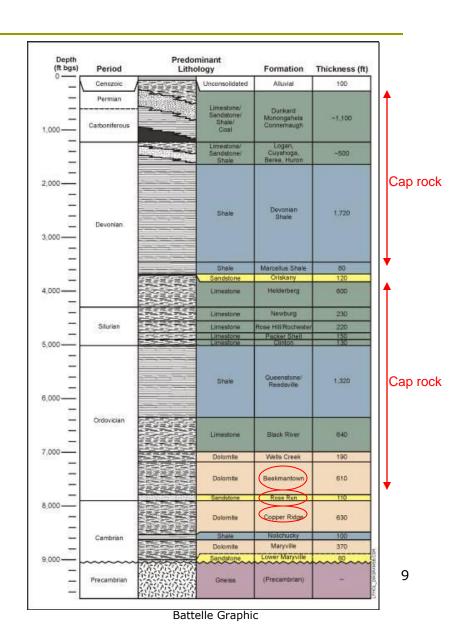
# CO<sub>2</sub> Transport & Storage





# Local Geology

- 2003 site characterization study funded by the DOE identified two feasible injection reservoirs with several thousand feet of excellent cap rock
  - Rose Run Sandstone
  - Copper Ridge B-Zone
- □ Test project validating CO<sub>2</sub> model





# CO<sub>2</sub> Transport and Storage Challenges

- Advantages
  - Appears to be the only commercially viable option in this area
- Challenges
  - UIC Permit guidelines
    - Materials of construction
    - Monitoring requirements
  - Public acceptance
    - Mineral rights ownership
    - Pipeline Right of Way
    - Overcome Not in my back yard (NIMBY)
  - CO<sub>2</sub> long term liability



## **Project Status**

- □ Project status as of September 3, 2010
  - Finalized DOE Cooperative Agreement and conditions on award
  - All major contracts in place
  - Selected site location
  - Completed NEPA public scoping period and field studies
  - Developing draft Environmental Impact Statement
  - Completed reagent and refrigerant selection studies
  - Completed initial design basis, mass balance, and PFDs



#### **Future Plans**

- Phase I:
  - Complete Phase I activities
  - Evaluate effect of pending Class VI UIC guidelines
- Operate 235MW facility starting in 2015
- Evaluate future CO<sub>2</sub> regulations and regulatory climate
- Plan for retrofitting 100% of Mountaineer flue gas stream w/ CCS
- Evaluate CO<sub>2</sub> storage options across fleet including deep saline and EOR